

infected on his visit to Liverpool, it is much more probable that they are much older than this, and that he was infected in Northern Ireland.

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## REVIEW

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF THE ACUTE PHASE OF POLIO-MYELITIS AND ITS COMPLICATIONS. Edited by Albert G. Bower, M.D. (Pp. 250; illustrations 64. 40s.) London: Ballière, Tindall & Cox, 1955.

THIS book is the product of the staff of the Communicable Disease Unit of the Los Angeles County Hospital, where over 18,000 cases of poliomyelitis have been diagnosed and treated during the past twenty-five years. Experience of such extent in poliomyelitis is blissfully unknown on this side of the Atlantic, and it is a great matter to have the knowledge of this team of workers compressed into a single volume.

The chapter on diagnosis and differential diagnosis is comprehensive and exceedingly good. The chapters on detection, care, and nursing procedures for respiratory paralysis are very good, and contain much valuable help.

The book is produced in first-class fashion, very well illustrated and presented in a style which is easy to absorb. It should be of great acceptance to physicians and hospital staff charged with the care of sufferers from poliomyelitis.

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